

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 17th February, 1886—

Staff Engineer George Richard Thomas Cummings has been advanced to the rank of Fleet Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, on the Retired List. Dated 23rd July, 1899.

The undermentioned Chief Engineers have been advanced to the rank of Staff Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet :—

Richard Phillips. Dated 1st September, 1899.

Marlin Stuart. Dated 7th September, 1899.

James Ryan. Dated 19th September, 1899.

Admiralty, 21st September, 1899.

THE following promotions have taken place :—

Captain Reginald Neville Custance to be Rear-Admiral. Dated 1st August, 1899.

Captains :

Edward Grey Hulton,

William McKoy Fitzgerald Castle, and

Herbert Ward Dowding,

to be Rear-Admirals on the Retired List. Dated 1st August, 1899.

Captain Burges Watson, C.V.O., has been promoted to the rank of Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 25th August, 1899.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 26th June, 1867, and 22nd February, 1870—

Staff Captain Frederick Hire has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Captain. Dated 9th September, 1899.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
22nd September, 1899.*

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

The undermentioned Gentlemen Cadets, from the Royal Military Academy, to be Second Lieutenants. Dated 25th September, 1899 :—

Rowland Clement Ridley Hill.

Arthur Frederick Cusins

STAFF.

Major-General Sir W. F. Butler, K.C.B., to be a Lieutenant-General on the Staff to command the Troops in the Western District, and to have the temporary rank of Lieutenant-General whilst so employed, vice Lieutenant-General Sir F. W. E. F. Forestier-Walker, K.C.B., C.M.G. Dated 8th September, 1899.

Colonel (temporary Major-General) J. D. P. French, now commanding the Cavalry Brigade at Aldershot, to be a Major-General on the Staff, to command the Cavalry in Natal, and to have the local rank of Major-General whilst so employed. Dated 23rd September, 1899.

Brevet Colonel C. M. H. Downing, now a Chief Instructor at the School of Gunnery, to be a Colonel on the Staff, to command the Royal Artillery in Natal, and to have the substantive rank of Colonel in the Army. Dated 23rd September, 1899.

The undermentioned Officers to be Assistant-Adjutant-Generals in Natal. Dated 16th September, 1899 :—

Colonel C. E. Beckett, C.B., now Assistant-Director-General of Ordnance.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel H. M. Lawson, Royal Engineers.

The undermentioned Officers to be Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-Generals in Natal. Dated 16th September, 1899 :—

Major R. B. Gaisford, the Royal Scots Fusiliers,

Major R. C. B. Haking, the Hampshire Regiment.

Major A. W. Thorneycroft, the Royal Scots Fusiliers.

Captain G. S. St. Aubyn, the King's Royal Rifle Corps.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Surrey.

Robert Barclay, Esq., J.P., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 18th September, 1899.

TENDERS FOR LOANS ON TREASURY BILLS.

1. THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 29th instant, at one o'clock, for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Acts 40 Vic., cap. 2, and 52 Vic., cap. 6, to the amount of £1,325,000, in replacement of Bills paid off.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £1,000, £5,000, or £10,000. They will be dated the 4th October, 1899, and will be payable at three months, or six months, or twelve months, after date (at the option of the persons tendering), viz. :—on the 4th January, 1900, or 4th April, 1900, or 4th October, 1900, respectively.

3. The Tenders must specify the net amount per cent. which will be given for the amounts applied for; and the Tenders of private individuals must be made through a London Banker.

4. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

5. The persons whose Tenders are accepted will be informed of the same on Saturday, the 30th instant, and payment in full of the amounts of the accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England not later than three o'clock, on Wednesday, the 4th proximo.

6. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers, September 22, 1899.

WILD BIRD (ENGLAND).

The Wild Birds Protection (Administrative County of West Sussex) Order, 1899.

Dated 21st September, 1899.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1896, and upon application by the County Council of the Administrative County of West Sussex, I hereby make the following Order :—

I. This Order may be cited as the Wild Birds Protection (Administrative County of West Sussex) Order, 1899.

BIRDS.

Close Time Extended.

II. The time during which the taking and killing of Wild Birds is prohibited shall be extended so as to be from the 1st day of February to the 31st day of August in each year, both days inclusive, except with respect to the following birds :—

Wild Swan, Wild Goose, Mallard, Widgeon, Teal and other Wild Duck, Snipe, Godwit, Sandpipers other than Redshank, Curlew, Whimbrel.

Additions to the Schedule of the Act of 1880.

III. The Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880, shall apply within the Administrative County of West Sussex, to the following Wild Birds in the